

I agree with Dale Reichs petition, and feel the need to keep the CW requirement for Extra class licenses, although CW may be the oldest mode, and there could still be times when a trained operator with cw knowledge could be useful, I would like to compare this to deaf/mute ppl giving up sign language just because they have computers now. CW still is the best way to communicate when power consumption is a concern, and conditions are less than favorable over long distances. This petition would increase the amount of trained operators with HF privileges (General class with no code knowledge) and continue to give incentive to learn CW to gain the Extra privileges. I believe this would satisfy most anyone, keeping the current classes of licenses and band segmentation.